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Up-to-date in style, $3.

Stiff and Soft Hats, brown and black, special makes, $1.00, $1.50, $2.00 and $2 50.

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Full stock, all kinds all prices, from 25c to $1.50. Special drive in two styles, regular $1.00 quality for 75c.

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Real Madras and Oxfords, stiff bosom, $1.00 to $1.50.
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Superior values in black and tan 10c, 15c, 25c.
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We most cordially invite you to an inspection of our large and excellent stock of useful presents. Never in our history have we shown such good values at such low prices.

The Very Best That Money Will Buy.

Men's Suits.

Our stock of Men's Suits embraces all the newest styles, perfect in every way. See our excellent values at $5, $7.50, $10, $12, $15.

Men's Overcoats.

Men's Overcoats and Ulsters, perfect in make and fit, grand values in all grades, $5.00, $7.00, $8 00, $10.00, $12.00, $15.00.

Children's Suits.

Vestee Suits, Reefer Suits, beautiful styles, double seat and knee, lowest prices, $1.00, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50, $3.00, $4.00, $5.00.

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For the little fellows; also Ulsters and Cape Overcoats, handsome, useful and cheap, $1.00, $1.50, $2.50, $3.00, $4.00, $5.00, $6.00.

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"Guess How Many Pins."

First and nearest guess we will give	$100.00
Second and nearest guess we will give	50.00
Third and nearest guess we will give	20.00
Fourth and nearest guess we will give	15 00
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Sixth and nearest guess we will give	5.00

Christmas Morning.

HEER BROTHERS.

CHRISTMAS NECKWEAR.

Newest styles in Tecks, Puffs, Four-in-Hands, Bows, etc., 25, 50c.

SILK MUFFLERS.

Beautiful designs, latest effects, 50c, 75c, $1.00, 1.50.

MEN'S GLOVES.

Lined and unlined Mocha and Kid Gloves, Jersey and Cashmere Buck, etc. Heavy working Gloves, all grades, 25c to $1 50.

SUSPENDERS.

Christmas Suspenders in Silk and Satines, plain and embroidered 50c to $1.50.
Cheaper grades 15, 20, 25,

PANTS.

Men's Cashmere Pants, good values, $1.25, $1.50, $2.00, $2.50, $3.00, $4.00, $5.00.
Never Rip Jeans Pants 75c, $1, $1.25, $1.50, $1.65.
Boys' Knee Pants, 25c, 50c, 75c and 1.00.

Heer Bros.

GAGE'S BILL

Secretary of Treasury Submits His Financial Bill.

Providing for the Refunding of National Debt and Establishment

Of a Redemption Fund and a Division of the Issue and Redemption of Treasury Notes—Synopsis of the Bill—Chas. G. Dawes for Comptroller of Currency — McKenna Associate Justice.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—Secretary Gage's financial bill has been submitted to the committee on banking and currency of the House. It is entitled: "A bill to provide for the refunding of the national debt and establishing of a redemption fund and a division of the issue and redemption in the treasury of the United States and to modify the existing laws respecting national banks and for other purposes."

It provides that one hundred and twenty-five million dollars in gold coin and bullion shall be assigned to the division issue and redemption and silver dollars and bullion equal to the outstanding silver certificates. This fund shall be used to redeem United States notes, treasury notes of 1896 and silver certificates which shall not be reissued except for an equivalent amount of coin in which they were redeemed. The bill provides for a refunding of five per cent bonds of 1904 and four per cent. of 1907 at 2½ per cent. Principal and interest not payable in gold. It provides that the national banks may have a circulation not exceeding the capital stock on depositing bonds or treasury notes, United States notes or silver certificates equal to the amount deposited. National banks depositing fifty per cent of their capital may issue twenty-five per cent additional and have redemption of the same secured by the United States treasury upon payment of tax of two per cent. per annum on such additional circulation.

IMPORTANT NOMINATIONS.

The President sent the following nominations to the senate today: Joseph McKenna, associate justice of the supreme court; Chas. G. Dawes, Illinois, comptroller of the currency; John W. Nesbit, pension agent at Pittsburg. The court of private land claims re-appointed Lewis Miles, United States attorney for the Southern district of Iowa.

BURSTING FLY WHEEL

In Olive Steel Plant, at Pittsburg Kills and Fatally Injures Several.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 16 —One man was killed and one fatally hurt and a number of others slightly injured by the bursting of a fly-wheel at the Oliver Iron and Steel company's works early this morning. Adam Brodrich was instantly killed and Frank Roen fatally injured. The engine was completely wrecked.

To Help Gold Diggers.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—The house today passed a bill appropriating $175,000 for the relief of Yukon sufferers and the senate a joint resolution for $250,000.

Markets.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 16.—Hogs, active, $3.30, $3.50; cattle, steady; beeves, $3.70, $5.45.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 16. — Wheat, $1.00½; corn, 26; oats, 21½.

Toledo.—Wheat, 95.

"Ye Olden Time" hulled corn is a healthful breakfast dish. Send five labels "Ye Olden Time" and get valuable cook book. SEARS & NICHOLS, Chillicothe.

Combination book cases at Fuller Bros.'

Ice-wool shawls, best in the city, at prices to suit you at Flora Dellert's.

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We have bought a big lot of Handkerchiefs, drummers' samples, at a price that will astonish you. So if you want Handkerchiefs come to Clemens Bros. We will sell them at a reduced price as long as they last. Samples are generally the best goods.

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IN THIS TOWN

Are Standing in Our Shoes.

There is evidence of brain work about our shoes—they were conceived by brainy designers—they were manufactured by brainy workmen—they have the impress of brains all over them in style, value and service, and they are worn by Portsmouth's brainy people. Join the band of bargain hunters and examine our goods. The prices will make you happy. If you have friends and think of giving them a nice and useful Christmas present, you can make no mistake by coming here and select for them a nice pair of Shoes.

COLD PRICES ON HOT STUFF.

Ladies' Heavy Shoes, full stock Calf Lace, sizes 3 to 5.. $ 69
Ladies' Oil Grain Shoes, Lace or Button, worth $1.50 for ... 99
Ladies' Calf Shoes, Lace or Button, worth $1.50 our price ... 99
Ladies' Shoes of Calf Skin and made so that they never rip for ... 99
Ladies' Shoes, in Calf Kangaroo Calf, and Porpoise Calf, worth $1.75, $2.00, $2.25, $2.50, $3 00, our price ... $1.19, $1.24, $1.39 1 49
Ladies' Button Shoes, Patent Leather Tips, worth $1.60 for ... 99
Ladies' Box Calf Shoes, made by Sacks Shoe Co., worth $3 00 ... 1 74
200 Pair of Heavy Dongola Shoes worth $2.50, our price ... 1 49
210 Pairs of Goodyear Welt Shoes, worth $3.00, our price ... 1 75
160 Pairs of Fine Dongola Kid Shoes worth $3.00, for 1 69
Ladies' Shoes worth $3.25, $3.50, $3.75, $4.00 $4.50 for ... $1.99, $2.24, 2 49

400 Pairs of School Shoes made in Portsmouth and every pair guaranteed to be first-class, or we will repair them for you free of charge, our price is, sizes 9 to 12 for 69c, and sizes 13 to 2 for 99c. They are fully worth from $1.25 to $1.50.
300 Pairs of Mandel School Shoes from 99c to $1.69. They are the best School Shoes on earth.
Boys' Heavy Shoes, sizes 3 to 5, worth $1.25, our price ... 89
Boys' Heavy Shoes in Lace, made of Oil Grain, worth $1.50 ... 99
Boy's Heavy Shoes, sizes 3 to 5, the best kind worth $1.75 ... 1 19
Men's Heavy Shoes with buckles, worth $1.50 for ... 99
Men's Shoes in Congress or Lace suitable for winter only ... 1 24
All of our Men's Heavy Shoes in Lace and Congress worth $1.50, $1.75, $2.00, $2.25, $2.50, for this sale ... $1.24, $1.39, $1.45, 1 49
Men's Fine Shoes, Congress or Lace, worth $1.50, our price ... 1 19

THE SAMPLE SHOE CO.,

Originators of Low Prices on Reliable Shoes. 517 Chillicothe St., Opposite Post Office.

Something Sweet

For You to Eat,

This is the time when parents look about to see where they can get the best candies for their children and young men think of sweetening their best girl. They should not forget that candies of all kinds, nuts, fruits, etc., as well as candles for ornamenting Christmas trees, can be found at

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Corner Gallia and Offnere Sts.

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BAKED BEANS

ADAM PFAU

Bakes the best and delivers them Red Hot.

175 West Second street.

BAD WRECK.

Passenger Crashes Into an Extra Freight on the Chicago and Eastern Road.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Clinton, Ind., Dec. 16.—Train No. 3, of the Chicago & Eastern, which left Chicago at 11:30 last night, ran into an extra train here at 9 a. m. and three employes were killed and half a dozen injured, but passengers were not hurt. The dead are Engineer Alf D. Rausch, Fireman G. L. Brewer, Fireman F. C. Deeter. The badly injured are Engineer G. Foster, slightly; Mail Clerk W. F. Rabb, Mail Clerk H. Cadwallader and Express Messenger E. Atchley.

Morgan Was Hung.

By Telegraph to THE TIMES.

Ripley W. Va. Dec. 16.—Morgan was hung today without any special incident. He is the murderer who made a sensational escape from jail a few days ago.

Dressing tables at Fuller Bros.'

Notice to Coal Dealers.

Bids will be received until Monday, at 12 m., December 27th, at the office of city water works to furnish nut and slack, or pea and slack, to city water works for one year from January 1st, 1898. Same to be delivered in the pumping house.

8-8t THOS. S. HALL, Secy.

A Little Runaway.

J. J. Orlett's delivery horse became frightened on West Fourth street this morning and ran off. The bed of the wagon was knocked off and left lying in the middle of the street. No other damage was done.

Look at the elegant line of boys' and children's clothing. Which one of these suits would make a beautiful Christmas present? Go to headquarters. L. WISE'S SONS, 117 West Second street.

Bought a Farm.

Wm. B. Coriell has purchased the Folsom farm, just above Wheelersburg. He paid $5,620 for the farm and takes possession at once.

G. H. Heinisch has the most attractive show window in the city full of choice articles suitable for Christmas presents. 14-3t

Will Sell Holly.

John Stokely has arranged to have his usual installment of holly for Christmas decorations. He will have his headquarters at Lorey's livery stable.

Largest line of vases in china, glass and art ever brought to Portsmouth. C. C. BODE & CO., 60 and 62 Gallia street.

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Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.

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J. L. PATTERSON, Editor and Manager.

The Times Publishing company will give TEN DOLLARS in gold to the person composing the most appropriate poem for a carriers' New Year's address. Poems will be received at the Times office until noon December 20th. Each manuscript must be sealed in an envelope containing another sealed envelope with the name of the writer. The manuscript, as received, will be placed in the hands of a committeee of three competent judges. The poem selected as the best by this committee will receive the prize. The envelope containing the name will not be opened until the prize poem is selected. Employes of The Times Publishing company will not be permitted to compete. Send in your poems.

In union there is strength.

The Times leads; others follow.

The Times is at the head of the procession, and from all sides come words of cheer. Look at our advertising columns and see our carriers go out laden as they never were before with the Daily Times, if you think we are talking to keep up courage.

Patterson is so badly scared that his terror is positively funny. Everybody is laughing at him.—Blade.

We are glad to furnish Mr. Hard an opportunity to laugh. His long, dolorous face was actually becoming painful to his friends to look upon, and we had long past ceased to think that he would "ever smile again."

"Yaller" Lotell has no real estate, except on his shoes. Neither has Hard. "Yaller' never expects or promises to pay his debts." Hard promises to, but never can. He owes $4,000 and owns only forty shares of stock on the Blade. The Blade owes more than it is worth. Which is worth most, "Yaller" or Hard? Men possessing nothing tangible and who hold a position because the entire remnant of the Blade's property stands pledged to the payment of a loan to himself, should not gloat over the possible downfall of a competitor whose property is three times his indebtedness.

We want to give Mr. Patterson something to worry about, however, to make him walk the floor, as it were, and for this reason we desire to advise him to pay more attention to the real, genuine meetings that Messrs. Eylar and Stevenson are having daily and nightly, especially nightly, with prominent Democratic local leaders.—Blade.

Nothing would please the editor of the Blade better than to have us sit still and leave the people in ignorance of the conspiracy hatched in the Blade office to start a new "Democratic" paper in this city. The trouble is just beginning for Mr. Hard. Over one-half of the Republican vote, the unpurchasable vote, are ardent supporters of Foraker and unalterably opposed to the gang. These men see in Eylar and Stevenson a candle appendage to the Blade gang. The Foraker element want a paper, and they will have it. Their support is valuable to a paper. It is more virile than the support given the Blade by the gang. The next primaries will see the Blade gang routed from within the Republican ranks. The tyrannical, illiberal, corrupt and infamous rule of this gang has caused the taxes in this city to mount up to fully four per cent of the assessed value of its property. This is astounding! The Times has day in and day out called attention to this fact. It has called attention to the fact that men in office were drawing salaries of five to ten times as much as men of their ability could earn in the ordinary walks of life. Even the men who occupy these offices did not, and could not now earn more than one-fifth to one-tenth as much as they are getting from the people. These "tax-eaters," these cormorants who are eating up the hard-earned taxes of the laboring man, sought to discipline the Times by refusing to publish anything in the Times that the law did not compel them to publish in a Democratic paper. This sum has been dwindling from year to year in an unsuccessful attempt to silence the Times, and now, in a last desperate effort, this gang imports two traitors to Democracy to consummate the scheme they have heretofore been unable to accomplish. More determined than ever, the Times, at the behest of the taxpayers, stands between the "tax-eaters" and the treasury. Their promise of patronage if "Patterson behaves himself" finds no response here, but of defiance. The laws of Ohio, as interpreted by corrupt judges, may enable this gang to violate the spirit and intention of the law, but popular opinion is higher and mightier than courts and judges, and the right will ultimately prevail. The men who have come here at the behest of the gang will find a people in Portsmouth who are patriotic and liberal; a people who (outside the gang) do their work in the open. These people have no particular interest in a gang consisting principally of officeholders, ex-office holders, bummers, tax-dodgers, libertines, worn-out politicians and their heelers, all presided over and directed by an ex-convict and blackmailer. If the editor of the Blade desires us to specify the men belonging to each of these classes we will willingly do so. Your hypocritical whinings and professions of "religion and morality" deceive no one. Hypocrisy is the element in your make-up that looked upon your staff and intimate gangsters and then indicted your salutatory to the public when you assumed control of the Blade. Your new found friends will not hide under a cloak of religion, as Mr. Eylar is an atheist of the most pronounced type. He has a right to be, but it is passing strange that the "religious editor of the Blade" should have such an inordinate love for an atheist all at once. Religion and atheism are as homeogeneous as are morality and Higgnosity or Dawsonosity or tax-dodging.

Says Mr. Dingley in his recent speech in the House on the treasury situation, if such and such things happen—if certain revenues increase and certain expenditures decrease — there will be no deficit in the treasury at the close of the fiscal year next June, or for the fiscal year following, ending June, 1899. But Secretary Gage, taking things as they are, and judging revenues and expenditures by hard facts, says there will be a deficiency of $38,000,000 in 1898 and $21,647,000 in 1899. Dingley is chasing sunbeams. Gage stands by the figures.

Republican papers, alarmed at the idea of continuing deficiencies through the McKinley administrations, are insisting the Dinlgey tariff shall be placed on the stocks for repairs. Referring to Mr. Cannon's speech in the House, on the same lines as Mr. Dingley's, the Philadelphia Press says:

A deficit for two years to come is now universally accepted. Mr. Cannon's elaborate explanation that if this, that or the other thing had not happened the deficit for 1899 would be smaller has nothing to do with the matter. It is mere bookkeeping. It twists figures. It does not provide revenue. The country expects and it ought to have a frank, explicit, resolute declaration from the leaders of the Republican majority that the deficit will be met by levying new taxes to raise sufficient revenue.

Oh, for an income tax to let the Republican party out of the quagmire of increasing deficiencies!

The Chicago Tribune does not like the tender and evasive way President McKinley in his message discusses the deficiency under the Dingley tariff. It is so different from the slashing way he went for the deficiencies under the Wilson tariff. Says the Tribune, which in the Northwest holds the same position in the Republican party the Press does in Pennsylvania:

President McKinley did not speak out on the deficit as he should have done. He displayed unusual and unexpected timidity. A year hence, when the treasury is empty, he will be forced to call on congress for the additional revenue he should have called on it at this time to furnish. It is the more surprising that the President does not ask for more revenue now, because he does not want his currency reform plan to go into effect until the deficit ceases. If enthusiastically attached to that plan, would not he endeavor to hasten the coming of the day when he wishes it to become operative?

The Tribune does well in recalling the fact that President McKinley does not desire the revenue reforms he advocates to go in to effect until the deficits have ceased That puts them off indefinitely. In the first of July, 1899, Secretary Gage estimates the treasury deficiency will be $21,647,885.85. He is precise down to a penny. This takes us more than half-way through the McKinley administration. Entering the fiscal year 1900 with a deficiency of $21,000,000, it is not probable there will be a surplus that year, and it is the year of the next presidential election. We venture the prediction that unless the Dingley law is radically changed in its intent and methods the country will never see a treasury surplus under its operations.—Pittsburg Post.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25 cents.

Hives are not dangerous to life, but they are a prolific breeder of misery and profanity. Doan's Ointment gives instant relief, even in the worst cases of this and other exasperating diseases of the skin.

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Hood's Pills

Holiday Thoughts

And Christmas Expectations

Will Keep Most of Us Busy for the Next Three Weeks.

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Comes but once a year, so make the best of it. Our assortment of Xmas Novelties surpasses anything we have ever shown. Verily, Old Kris Kingle has come to stay with us.

"At Christmas play and make good cheer
For Christmas comes but once a year."

Fresh from Santa Claus' Workshop

ARE OUR DOLLS AND TOYS.—All of "Mother Goose's" Children never presented as many types as our dolls. What an endless fund of amusement for the little ones.

Brownie Dolls, Esquimaux Dolls, Negro Dolls, Boy Dolls, Mechanical Dolls, Baby Dolls, Little Dressed Dolls, Big Dressed Dolls, Rubber Dolls, Cloth Dolls, Yellow Kid Dolls, Clown Dolls, China Dolls, Wooden Dolls.

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Big selection, from plain white Hemstitched to beautiful creations of Lace and Silk.

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In 27 different shades for Fancy Work, 27 inches wide 50c.

Thousands of Handkerchiefs.

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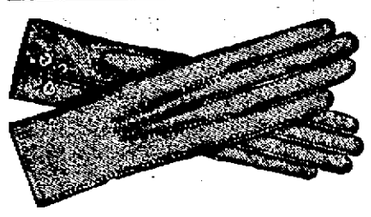

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Our stock of Umbrellas this year is entirely new and up-to-date.

We are showing some very exclusive handles both in the 24, 26, and 28 inch.

Some very novel handles in natural wood and Mother of Pearl, in 24 and 26 inch Umbrellas with popular tight roll sticks.

Special values in colored 26 inch Umbrellas—in brown, blue, greens, garnets and tan, pretty natural wood handles, covered with pure silk, $2.50.

Children's School Umbrellas, 26 inch natural wood handles, 49c.

Beautiful Evening Fans, Empire style, for Christmas presents.

A Pin Hole

In Your Memory

To remind you that we are making our customers NINE Handsome Presents this year. Read all about it:

The First Wheel.

Will be given to the one who guesses nearest to the number of words which will appear in the first news column on the first page of the Cincinnati Enquirer of Dec. 31, 1897. Guesses must be all in by 6 p. m. sun time, Dec. 30, 1897. Every one making a purchase is entitled to a guess.

THE SEWING MACHINE.

Will be given to the one who makes the second nearest guess to the number of words which will appear in the first news column on the first page of the Cincinnati Enquirer of Dec. 31, 1897.

(For Dry Goods Store Only.)

The Second Wheel.

Will be given not to the one who is the best guesser but the best worker. We give to any customer who desires them cards containing figures to the amount of $100.00. The condition of gift are simply these: We will give to the person presenting one of these cards, between the hours of 7 a. m. and 6 p. m. Dec. 31, 1897, having the greatest amount punched out, one of these beautiful Bicycles. Every purchase you make get the amount punched out on your card: get all your friends and neighbors to bring your card with them and get credit for their purchases for you, thus swelling the total amount. Remember, any one can bring your card and get credit for their purchases for you A little stirring around will put one of these fine wheels within your reach. Is it not worth the trial?

(For Dry Goods Store Only.)

The Third Wheel.

In our show window in the Shoe Store we have two pages of a newspaper. The one guessing the nearest to the number of words on these two pages will receive the wheel. Every purchase entitles you to a guess. Guesses must be in by 6 p. m., Dec. 31, 1897.

The Five Barrels of Flour.

Second nearest guess receives a barrel of flour.
Third nearest guess receives a barrel of flour.
Fourth nearest guess receives a barrel of flour.
Fifth nearest guess receives a barrel of flour.
Sixth nearest guess receives a barrel of flour.

(For Shoe Store Only.)

CONNOLLEY'S STORE.

Remember Them.

It is not the costly gift that binds you to the heart of a friend, but the gift prompted by affection. I have many things that would be appreciated, from a fine base heater or range to the simplest cooking or table utensil.

Here Are a Few.

Elegant heaters, fine ranges, plated knives and forks, scissors and pocket knives, nickel plated tea and coffee pots, nickel plated tea kettles, fine butcher knives, fine carving sets, Ladies' and Gents' Skates.

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Flour.....50, 55, 60, 65 and	70c
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Portsmouth Steam Laundry,

West Seventh Street.

MUNYON'S

Cold Cure cures colds in the head, colds on the lungs, old colds, new colds and obstinate colds, and all forms of grip. Stops sneezing, discharges from the nose and eyes, prevents catarrh, diphtheria, pneumonia, and all throat and lung troubles. These pleasant little pellets are absolutely harmless, have saved thousands of lives and prevented much sickness. The Munyon Remedy Company prepare a separate cure for each disease. At all druggists—25 cents a vial. If you need medical advice write Prof. Munyon, 1505 Arch Street, Philadelphia. It is absolutely free.

COLD CURE

What Shall I Get My Lady Friend?

Is a question that is often asked.

Just Call

at the Ladies' Bazaar and select from one hundred different gifts.

Large size Medallion Pictures, 25c, to 50c.
China Tea Sets.
China Cups and Saucers.
Toilet Sets in Silver or Cut Glass.
Jewel Boxes in Silver or Cut Glass.
Nut Sets in Silver.
Photo Frames in Silver.
Puff Boxes in Silver.
All kind of fancy articles in Celuloid.
Silk goods in Throws, Couch Pillows, Head Rests etc.
Linens in Roman Drawn Work.
Side Board Covers.
Table Covers.
Dressing Case Covers.
Doylies, Jardiniers and other articles that want of space forbids us to mention.

An Early Call Will Pay You.

Ladies' Bazaar,

E. and R. McCauley,

407 Chillicothe St.

WHAT

To Buy for Christmas

And where to buy it. Let us help you in this. We have just what you want and for a small amount you can buy much more than usual. See us before buying, we can save you money.

Prescription Druggists,

Seebohm & Co.

Second and Chillicothe Sts.

Agents for

De Klyn's Fine Candies.

New Things in Meat for You to Eat.

When cold weather comes a well regulated meat market sets out many things that cannot be carried in hot weather.

You Can Get What You Want,

Get it clean and fresh, get it neat and tasty, and delivered with alacrity and a smile at

Brandau's Meat Market,

JOHN STREET.

Sidewalks

Of brick or stone, curbing, grate setting, stone work of all kinds promptly done. Estimates furnished promptly.

Garrison Bros.,

153 East Front.
333 East Fourth.

First Class Trees

And True to Name.

☞ I have one lot of trees from the well known firm of Storrs & Harrison, Painesville, Ohio, and another lot from James C. Bingham and Sons, Russell, Ky. These people are careful and reliable and will tell you that I ordered nothing but first class goods. Come and see the trees, get prices and you will be pleased.

SAM T. KENYON,

Droege's Grove Place, first house east of base ball ground, north side Gallia Pike.

TEN DAYS

Council Orders N. & W. to Give Up Shop Property.

Natural Gas Franchise Ordinance Held Up For Present

Solicitor Advises Against Bringing Damage Suit Against N. & W. Until Later—Final Passage of Ordinance Ordering the N. & W. Out—Engineer Submits an Estimate—What the Gas People Want.

Council passed an ordinance Wednesday declaring the lease between the city and the N. & W. to the car shop property as forfeited. The railroad company was ordered to give the city possession of the property within ten days. The ordinance was passed without a dissenting voice and with a spirit that bodes little friendship of the city fathers for the N. & W. The ordinance, as prepared by Solicitor Miller, provided that the N. & W. should move out fifteen days after the passage of the ordinance. Mr. Seiby moved to limit the time to ten days and his motion carried, with but one negative vote, that of President Turley, who voted to sustain the solicitor.

The solicitor said he had consulted Attorneys Searl and Dever relative to the bringing of a suit for damages against the railroad, and it was thought best not to do so for the present. Council had already done away with prospective damages and it was an unsettled question as to the amount of machinery which had been removed from the shop. He thought it prudent to posptone action relative to damage proceedings.

In the matter of granting a franchise to Otto Gerner, Jr., of Erie, Pa., to lay pipes, etc., for the bringing of natural gas to the city, council postponed definite action until next meeting. Judge Osborn presented and read an ordinance which he had prepared. It provided that natural gas should be furnished in the city at a rate not to exceed 45 cents per 1,000 cubic feet. Bond in the sum of $10,000 was offered for the faithful performance of the work. Franchise was to expire July, 1899, if work had not been begun by that time. Judge Savage, of Ashland, representing Mr. Gerner, addressed council. He said the company which proposed to bring natural gas to the city owned 48,000 acres of gas land in the neighborhood of Warfield, W. Va. The supply of natural gas in that vicinity seemed inexhaustible. The men who proposed to bring gas to Portsmouth were not speculators but capitalists. Ashland, Ironton, Catlettsburg and Huntington had already granted them a franchise on the most liberal terms. No bonus was asked for, and the city need not be at one cent cost for granting the franchise. The gas would be used only for heating and manufacturing purposes and would not come in competition with our local gas or electric light company.

Mr. Dillon wanted to know how it was that Ironton was to get gas for 27 cents a thousand and Mr. Osborn's ordinance provided that we should pay 45 cents? Judge Savage explained that the ordinance provided that no city should be charged more than another. If Ironton was furnished gas at 27 cents Portsmouth would get the same rate. Only this: That in the event the supply of gas becomes limited the city paying the lowest rate will be cut off first. Judge Savage was willing to make any sort of concession if the city would only grant the franchise. Mr. Germer said it was expected to have gas here by next fall, if the franchise was granted. Local labor would be employed in laying the pipes. The reason why the passage of the ordinance was urged at once was on account of the company having an option on pipe which would expire within a few days. The sentiment of council was to postpone action until next regular meeting.

Mr. Osborn presented an amended plat to the Hutchins addition, which was accepted by council.

The solicitor was instructed to bring in a resolution for the guttering of the first alley east of Market street, between Second and Third.

The schedule, amounting to $1,169.-03, was allowed.

The mayor stated that the hospital property was in need of a fence. He suggested an appropriation of $100. The matter was referred to the committee on public property.

A resolution to pay $875 semi-annual interest on $35,000 sewer bonds passed.

The engineer submitted an estimate for the building of a dyke at Boundary street to shut out the flood in the Ohio river. For $2,184 he thought it possible to construct a dyke and provide valves at East End sewers sufficient to shut out a fifty-eight foot stage of water in the river. The matter was referred to the committee on streets.

Mr. Seebohm stated that trees were dying in Tracy park. He was given authority to transplant twenty-three of them.

Council adjourned at 9:15. Messrs. Harshe, Kellar and Lynn were absent from the meeting.

"Lynched Outside the City Limits."

Next Sunday the pulpit of Sixth Street church will be occupied by the pastor, Rev. Thos. S. Robjent, who will preach a special sermon at the people's service at night on the topic, "The Murder of a Business Man, or Lynced Outside the City Limits." In the morning he will preach on "A Soul in Ruins; Its Possibilities."

G. H. Heinisch has everything you want, at lowest prices. See his choice candy at five cents per pound; other things accordingly. No trouble to show goods. 14-3t

THEY DESERVE IT.

Some Good Words for W. V. Matthews and George Wurster, Who Managed the First Part and Olio of the Cycle Show.

The members of the Cyling club held a little jubilee meeting last evening at the club rooms over the success of the minstrel show. Resolutions were passed thanking those who participated in the performance. Messrs. W. V. Matthews and George Wurster came in for oceans of praise. Mr. Matthews was in full control of the first part of the show, and to his untiring labor and zeal the unqualified success of the part was largely due. Mr. Matthews devoted a great deal of time and hard labor in arranging the program for this part, and his disinterested efforts are greatly appreciated by his fellow members. The same is true of Mr. Wurster. He hustled and worked by day and by night to make the olio a success, and he succeeded admirably in his difficult task. These two gentlemen will be called into harness again when minstrel time comes around.

A CANDIDATE

Hon. Theo. K. Funk to Make the Race for Congress.

He Will Have Hon. A. T. Holcomb as His Opponent in This County and the Fight at the Spring Primaries Will Be a Merry One—Some Aspects of the Situation—Political News.

The report has been in circulation in political circles that Hon. Theo. K. Funk would not be a candidate for congress this fall, but would be out for another candidate—possibly Mr. Fenton, who aspires to a third term.

A Times reporter made inquiry of Mr. Funk as to the truth of this rumor and received the emphatic answer that it was a lie out of whole cloth. "I am a candidate for the congressional nomination," said Mr. Funk "and I expect to go in the fight to win. I shall call on my friends to support me in this and in the other counties. To be a representative in congress is a laudable ambition and I believe I can secure the nomination."

This declaration of Mr. Funk of his candidacy makes it certain that there will be a merry war at the primaries in the spring. Hon. A. T. Holcomb is already an avowed candidate and there are whisperings of Hon. Jas. W. Bannon and George D. Selby as a dark horse candidates. The open fight will be between Holcomb and Funk. Mr. Funk has always been one of the leaders of the anti-gang element in this county and he will command the full strength of that faction. There seems but little doubt that the Blade gang will line up behind Mr. Holcomb. It is a well known fact that this clique of politicians have pledged the Scioto county delegation to Lawrence county for "favors rendered," and this will weaken whatever candidate whose cause is espoused by the gang. Scioto county Republicans want a Scioto county man to win and do not propose to select a delegation for trading purposes.

Another thing in the spring primaries which has caused comment is the fight for the county clerkship. Mr. F. L. Sikes is a candidate for re-election and indications are that the "gang"—Hard, Higgins, Clarke & Co.—will try to down him. Jas. C. Adams, who was at first talked of, has been dropped, and now it is said A. J. Finney will be supported. The spectacle of Mr. Finney being pushed by the man he has fought for a lifetime is one of the queer things that occasionally bobs up in politics.

Jardinier stands at Fuller Bros.'

Broke His Thumb.

Rudy Kountz, the West Second street saloon man, met with a painful accident Tuesday night. He was playing ten-pins about 9 o'clock that evening, when he slipped and fell and broke his thumb. Dr. Lottridge was called and reduced the fracture.

Holiday goods in endless variety at Lehman's.

He Flourishes Now.

Mr. Frank Hook, the tinner, at 207 West Front street, is waging to the front in good shape. He was in poor health, but he says the more he works the better he feels, so he clatters away and is growing fat.

CURES QUICKLY AND SAFELY.

The Pyramid Pile Cure Cures the Most Aggravated Cases of Piles With Absolute Safety.

Pyramid Pile Cure will cure the most aggravated case of hemorrhoids in an astonishingly short time. It relieves the congested parts, reduces the tumors instantly, no matter how large, allays the inflammation and stops the aching or itching at once.

Thousands who had resorted to expensive surgical treatment have been cured by the Pyramid Pile Cure—in a number of instances persons who have spent months in a hospital under a pile specialist.

It is a remedy that none need fear to apply even to the most aggravated, swollen and inflamed hemorrhage tumors.

If you are afflicted with this stubborn disease you can master it, and master it quickly.

This remedy is no longer an experiment, but a medical certainty.

Druggists sell at 50 cents per box. It is becoming the most popular pile cure the country has ever known, and druggists everywhere are ordering it for their customers.

For book on cause and cure of piles address Pyramid Co., Marshall, Mich., (formerly of Albion, Mich.)

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Holiday Suggestions.

Glance over the list and see if there is not something you need.

REMEMBER With each cash purchase of $10.00 or more we are giving A HANDSOME WATCH FREE!

SILK MUFFLERS.

Black, White and Fancy Colors, 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.50.

HANDKERCHIEFS.

Plain White Silk.....20c, 25c, 50c, 75c, $1.00
Initial White Silk..... 25c and 50c
Fancy Bordered.....25c and 50c
Fancy Japanette.....15c or 2 for 25c and 20c
Hemstitched Linen .....15c, 20c, 25c, 40c and 50c
Plain White and Fancy Bordered.....5c and 10c

GLOVES FOR DRESS.

Silk Lined Kid and Mocha..... $1 50
Fleece Lined Kid and Mocha 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.50
Unlined Kid and Mocha.....$1.00, $1 50
Silk and Jersey Knit.....25c, 50c, 75c
Scotch Wool.....50c and 75c
Working Gloves, lined or unlined.....25c, 40c, 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.50

TRAVELING GOODS.

Zinc, Canvas and Duck covered Trunks $1.75 to $10.00. Canvas and Leather Dress Suit Cases from 75c to $7.50. Valises and Telescopes, all kinds, sizes, shapes and prices. Our selection is sure to please you.

NECKWEAR.

Tecks, Puffs, Four-in-Hands, Strings, Bows, etc., 25c, 50c.

UMBRELLAS.

Silk and Glorias, 69c, $1.00, $1.50, $1.75, $3.50, $4, $5.

FURNISHING GOODS.

We don't depend on our Furnishing Goods Department for our business, but we make it an interesting feature for our customers and the envy of our competitors.

CLOTHING.

Men's and Boys'

Suits and Overcoats.

Bear in mind that we manufacture the clothing we sell and are thus enabled to sell direct to the consumer at Manufacturers' Prices, which is at least

20 per cent.

Lower than most retailers' prices. Besides saving you money we show you clothing that is superior in most respects to the average ready-to-wear garments. Notice window display for styles and prices.

Special Reduction.

50

Per cent. from regular prices on our entire stock of

SMOKING JACKETS.

This is the season for them and as we don't want to carry them over, we make this extraordinary offer. Take advantage of it. At least call and see them.

They Must Go.

PERIODICAL TICKETS ACCEPTED.

Sanford, Varner & Co.

STORE OPEN EVERY EVENING.

Read the List

Of articles at our Store for Holiday Shopping.

FOR NEEDLE WORK—Linens and Stamped Linens, Floss, Laces and Insertions, Footing, etc. Other articles that will make useful gifts—Gloves, Hosiery, Underwear, Table Linens, Table Covers, Pocket Books, Handkerchiefs, Umbrellas, Portiers, Rugs, Carpet Sweepers, etc., etc.,

Half Price

FOR

High Grade Dress Patterns.

A few very choice Dress Patterns that we have put a price on to close them out quickly. Call and examine them. Will be sold at HALF PRICE.

Some Choice Capes

We closed out a manufacturer's lot of choice Cloth Capes at half their real value and have placed them on sale at such tempting prices.

A Double Cloth Cape, braid trimmed, real value $1.00, our price 75c.

A very neat Cloth Cape that was considered cheap at $3.00, our price $1.50.

A $5.00 Cape that is a beauty, our price $2.50.

An elaborately trimmed Cape that ought to be sold for $10.00, our price $5.00.

MARTING BROS. & CO

You Had Better

Call and look over my immense stock of

TOYS AND DOLLS.

There is scarcely a thing in this line that heart can wish for or money can buy, that cannot be found in my stock. Newspapers, books and periodicals.

S. C. STIMMEL,

[Ben. Woods Old Stand.]

317 Chillicothe Street.

Special Low Prices for Cash Only.

1 lb new buckwheat	4c
1 lb can good baking powder	5c
1 10c box toilet soap	5c
1 25c box toilet soap	15c
All package coffee	10c
1 lb new barley	5c
1 qt. navy beans	5c
1 gal. best sorghum	30c
2 lb best California apricots	25c
2 lb best California prunes	25c
2 lb best California peaches	25c
3 lb good California prunes	25c
2 large mackerel	5c
1 lb codfish	5c
1 lb wine cakes	10c
1 lb lunch milk crackers	8c
1 lb butter crackers	5c
1 lb oyster crackers	5c

J. J. ORLETT'S,

Cor. Fourth and Court Sts.

Hello!

Telephone your orders for Groceries, Vegetables, etc., to No. 801, as that is the number of the Cheap Corner Grocery.

JOS. H. LANGE'S,

Cheap Cash Grocery. Gay and Gallia Sts.

A WEDGE

Driven Into the Nest of Corruption at the Court House.

Ex-Clerks Simmons and Whitney Ordered to Straighten Up Their Accounts.

Important Action Taken by the County Commissioners This Morning.

If Simmons and Whitney Do Not Have Their Books Fixed Up by January 3rd an Expert Will Be Put to Work and the Law Will Take Its Course—No Doubt That Mr. Whitney Is Short About $2,000 and Simmons Has Many Things to Explain.

The county commissioners at a special meeting held today, took preliminary steps toward ordering an investigation of the books of the county clerk's office. They ordered Ex-Clerks John H. Simmons and Wm. F. Whitney to straighten up their books and accounts. If this is not done by January 3d, 1898, the commissioners will take decided action.

It is well known that when Mr. F. L. Sikes, the present clerk, took hold of the office he found affairs in a deplorable state. The retiring clerk, Mr. Wm. F. Whitney, failed to account for a sum exceeding $1,800, which had been paid into him as costs and which belonged to various citizens of the county. On going back further it was found that John H. Simmons, who had preceded Mr. Whitney in the office, had been irregular and criminally careless in his administration, to say the least. A big sum, which had been paid him as costs, was not accounted for, and he had not made a satisfactory settlement with his successor in office, Mr. Whitney.

Such was the condition of affairs which confronted Mr. Sikes. Obviously he could not get the books in shape, unless the commissioners would order his predecessors to straighten up their accounts. It is understood that he has made repeated requests of the commissioners that this be done, and finally they awoke to the necessity for prompt action.

At a recent meeting they ordered Ex-Clerks Simmons and Whitney and Prosecuting Attorney Bannon to appear before them today Mr. Simmons was the only one of the trio who showed up. Prosecutor Bannon found it convenient to go to Columbus and Mr. Whitney paid no attention to the request. The commissoners, however, gave the ex-clerks until January 3d to straighten up their accounts or they would order an investigation.

There seems not the shadow of a doubt that Mr. Whitney is short in the neighborhood of $2,000 and that there are gross irregularities in money matters dating back into the Simmons regime. This is a very grave matter and the commissioners owe it to the people that their action be prompt and decisive. With the motto—Let no guilty man escape—they should go ahead with the good work. Put an expert on the books and let the people know the facts. Then, if it is demonstrated that any public officer has been unfaithful to his trust, let the law take its course. This is not a time for sentiment, Mr. Commissioners. You have a duty to perform for the people and they will hold you accountable.

FINGER MASHED.

Painful Accident at the Burgess Steel and Iron Works This Morning.

Wm. Willis, who came here from Ashland to enter the employ of the Burgess Steel and Iron works, met with a painful accident this morning. He was engaged in fixing a machine known as the manipulator, when some one started it and Willis' hand was caught in the machinery and crushed. The middle finger of his right hand was badly mashed. Dr. Hall, who was called, saved the finger.

Squire Shakespear's Court.

The case of J. M. Augustin as plaintiff vs. Bruce Evans, constable defendant, was set for trial this morning in 'Squire Shakespeare's court. J. M. Augustin appeared and demanded a jury. This was granted and the case set for hearing tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. The following were subpoenaed as jurors: J. M. Wendelken, Charles Legler, John Jones (plumber), David Edwards, J. M Stockham and Frank M. Lynn. Thomas Beatty represents plaintiff and Searl & Miller defendant. Mrs. Cordelia Masters will be made a party to the suit. This is the famous complicated case in which Augustin, Eavns, Mrs. Masters, Mrs. Wearing and the Brewers are interested.

He Is In It Too.

James Stealey, the confectioner, at 410 Chillicothe street, is in the business of artistic decoration, too, and has as fine a stock of candies and Christmas goods on display as anyone in town. And as an artist he is not so slow, either.

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

John A., Schroer, 23, Cincinnati, and Sarah A. Miller, 19, Portsmouth.

A fine line of ladies' muslin underwear at Flora Dellert's.

Jones, the Hatter, for holiday goods, 104 West Second street.

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READY FOR THE HOLIDAYS!

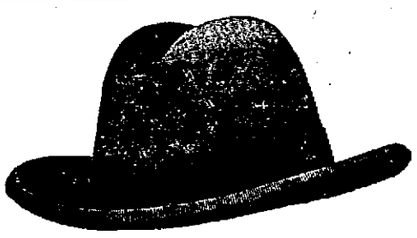
X-mas 1897

Is almost at hand and we, as the appointed agent of Santa Claus, are prepared for the great rush that is bound to come. We have engaged extra salespeople and we are now ready to show the greatest line of Holiday merchandise ever shown in Southern Ohio. Read over the articles carefully. We have hundreds of useful presents that we are here unable to enumerate, but we most cordially invite you one and all to come to our BIG STORE and carefully inspect the greatest line of Holiday goods ever shown.

$200.00 IN GOLD

Will be distributed on New Year's day to the fifteen persons guessing the nearest to the correct number of marbles contained in the glass jar now displayed in our show window. Every cash purchase entitles you to a guess. Marbles will be counted Jan. 1st, at 10 a. m., by prominent citizens.

First	$75 00	Ninth	$5 00
Second	40 00	Tenth	5 00
Third	20 00	Eleventh	5 00
Fourth	10 00	Twelfth	5 00
Fifth	5 00	Thirteenth	5 00
Sixth	5 00	Fourteenth	5 00
Seventh	5 00	Fifteenth	5 00
Eighth	5 00		



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Men's Stiff and Soft Hats

In all styles, shapes and colors, from $1.00 to $3.00.

A full line of Caps for Men and Boys, all kinds and shapes 25c to $1.50.

Our Big Store

Is the Mecca of the Bargain Seekers. Our low prices is the Magnet that draws the trade to us.

Our hopes and anticipations are reflected in the immense preparations we have made

You never saw the **BIG STORE** So full of attractions as it is now.

Our line of

Bath Robes and Smoking Jackets

Is the largest and most complete in the city, the prices within the reach of all.

$5 00, $7.50, $10.00.

If you want to make an appropriate gift to father, brother or sweetheart, call at our Big Store and see our holiday stocks.

Special attention has been given to our Children's Department and the careful parent will find here an enormous line of Reefer Coats, Overcoats, Suits, Waists Leggins, Caps, Neckwear, Stockings, etc., suitable for Christmas Gifts.

Our Ladies' Handkerchief Department

Has brought many of the fair sex to our store, and those who come, buy, for they readily see that our stock of Handkerchiefs is THE BEST and CHEAPEST in the city. If you have not seen them, come now while the assortment is yet unbroken. Buy your Handkerchiefs at the Big Store. You can give two where you had intended giving one by purchasing here.

50 dozen Children's Handkerchiefs 1c each. Only 5 to each customer.

5c for Embroidered Swiss Mull.

6c for fine Lace Embroidered Mull.

8⅓c for extra fine Embroidered Mull.

10c for pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs.

12½c, Swiss Embroidered Mull, Lace inserting, etc., etc.

20c.—Hundreds of beautiful embroidered designs.

2½c for a good quality of Ladies' Fancy Handkerchiefs.

25c and 35c for regular 50c to 75c goods which we closed out as short lots. Buy your handkerchiefs of us. You can give two where you thought of giving one by buying at this sale.

Holiday Suggestions.

FROM.		TO.
75c	Umbrellas	$6 00
50c	Canes	5 00
25c	Underwear	2 25
25c	Gloves	2 00
1c	Handkerchiefs	1 00
15c	Suspenders	2 50
25c	Neckwear	1 00
25c	Mufflers	2 00
50c	Dress Shirts	1 75
10c	Hosiery	50c
25c	Garters	50c

And many other useful articles too numerous to mention.

Men's, Boys' and Children's Clothing

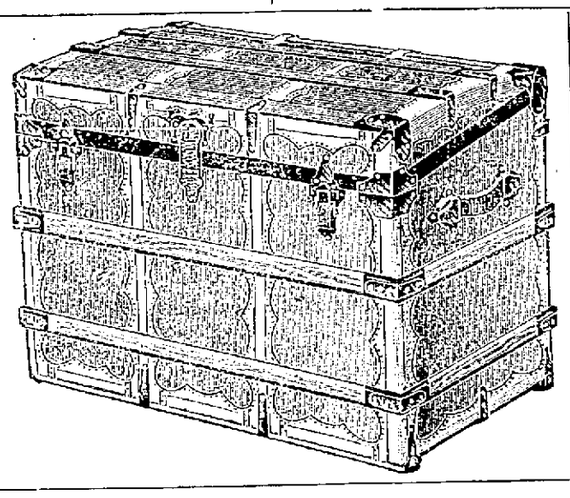
From the cheapest up to the very best can be found here in all styles, such as Cheviots, Cassimeres and Worsteds.

MEN'S SUITS from $3.00 to $18.00.
BOYS' SUITS from $2.50 to $16.50.
CHILDREN'S SUITS from 98c to $7.50.

Come and inspect our stock before you buy. We will save you money.

Do You Travel?

If so, you may need a good trunk, traveling bag or telescope. We have received a special line for the Holidays that would make beautiful gifts for all. We also carry a full line of trunk and shawl straps.



Men's, Boys' and Children's Overcoats

Reefer Coats and Ulsters, made from the best Beavers, Kerseys, Meltons, Chinchillas and Friezes, a complete assortment at prices to suit everyone.

Men's Overcoats from $2.50 to $18.00.
Boys' Overcoats from $1.50 to $15.00.
Children's Overcoats from $1.50 to $7.50.
Men's Ulsters from $3.50 to $13.50.
Boys' Ulsters from $3.00 to $12.00.
Reefer Coats from $2.00 to $7.50.

Guess on the Marbles.

$200 in Gold given away Jan. 1st.

LOOK IN OUR WINDOW.

Gifts for Father, Mother, Sister, Brother or Sweetheart, can be found at Our Big Store.

Guess on the Marbles.

$200 in Gold given away Jan. 1st.

J. EISMAN & CO., 121-123 West Second Street.

IN THE NIGHT

A Glancing Bullet Broke a Plate Glass Window

In the Store of Johnston Bros. at the Corner of Ninth and North Waller Streets—The Shot Is Supposed to Have Been Fired by Policeman McFarland at a Vicious Dog—The Window Valued at $40.

One of the big plate-glass windows in the front of the grocery store of Johnston Bros., at the corner of Ninth and North Waller streets, was broken last night. Investigation showed that the window had been broken by a bullet, the flattened lead being found in the store.

The marshal was at once notified of the occurrence and Day Policeman Beatty put on the job. After investigating for an hour or two, he was no nearer a solution than when he started. He could not find anyone who had heard a shot or knew anything at all about the broken window. Finally Policeman McFarland furnished what is believed to be the solution of the damaged window. He says he was coming up Ninth street about four o'clock this morning, when a big dog ran out of a yard and snapped viciously at him. The animal acted like it was mad and the policeman drew his revolver and sent a bullet after it, as it went flying up the street. The supposition is that the bullet struck the sidewalk and glancing upward, hit the window of the Johnston store, breaking it. It will be a question now as to who will be held responsible for the broken window, which is valued at $35 or $40.

The incident shows policemen should be more careful how they are shooting about the streets. That bullet might have entered a residence and done serious damage.

See our boys' suits, heavy weight, at $1.90. We are closing out, which costs everywhere $2.50, long pants suits, at L. WISE'S SONS.

See Lehman's line of holiday slippers before you buy.

Ladies' desks at Fuller Bros.'

ALL THE TRAMPS.

Police Round in About Twenty Hobos—Some Suspected of Robbing N. & W. Car at Chillicothe.

Every tramp in the city last night that the police could find was taken to the station house. As a result, both sides of the slate were filled with names of the wandering Williams. Some were suspected of burning a C. & O. car at South Portsmouth Tuesday night and a class of seven was held awaiting information from Chillicothe. It is thought they robbed a freight car there. One of the fellows suspected of setting fire to the C. & O. car had his clothes burned in several places. He answered the description of a fellow who was about the C. & O. depot Tuesday night. They will be held a day or so.

Now is the time to look for Christmas presents. See our handsome boys' overcoats and reefers. If you wish to dress your boys for the cold weather, buy them one of these coats. It will make them feel comfortable to have one. You will find them at

L. WISE'S SONS,
15-3t 117 West Second street.

FIFTY-THIRD ANNIVERSARY

Fifty-Three Years Old, Yet a Young Man, Is W. W. Prather, of the Portsmouth Tinware Company.

W. W. Prather, the gentlemanly manager of the Portsmouth Tinware company, was greeting his friends with an unusually pleasant smile today. An explanation revealed the fact that today he had reached the fifty-third milestone and he was really glad that he was living, and with every indication of being able to celebrate many such occasions. His many friends certainly wish that he may live to see another fifty-three years roll around. Mr. Prather was born a few miles this side of Buena Vista—a Scioto county boy, of course. The greater part of his life has been spent in Adams county, coming to this city a few years ago. Long live Mr. Prather and the Portsmouth Tinware company.

G. H. Heinisch is a close buyer. His running expenses are very low, and for that reason he can sell cheaper than any house in the city. Try him.

Just what you want, you can find at Lehman's reliable shoe store.

OBITUARY.

SHAW.

Jarrett Shaw, a prominent young man of Nile township, residing at Turkey Creek, died Wednesday afternoon of typhoid fever. He was nineteen years old and had been sick but a short time. Funeral services will be held at Friendship this afternoon at 3 o'clock, Rev. Alkire officiating.

NICHOLSON.

The three-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. John Nicolson died this morning at their residence on Lawson Heights after an illness of three days. Inflammation of the bowels was the cause.

A Christmas Watermelon.

Henry Prescott is exhibiting a nice, big healthy-looking water melon at his feed store. He says it is no Yankee trick, but a genuine water melon grown down in Kentucky this summer. It was put away in the hay and looks just as fresh today as it did three months ago. Mr. Prescott will eat it for dinner Christmas.

Go to Flora Dellert's for everything in the line of ladies' underwear.

READ

J J Brushart's New Price List.

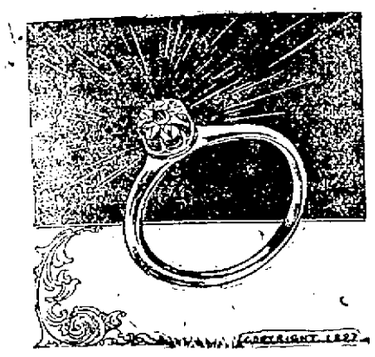
1 doz. Oranges	15 to 50 c
1 qt. best Maple Syrup	20 c
1 qt. best Table Syrup	5 c
1 gal. best N O Molasses on earth	50 c
8 lb. best Buckwheat	25 c
3 lb. Pancake Flour	10 c
1 lb. Raisins or Prunes	5 c
1 pkg. Dunham's Cocoanut	5 c
1 pkg Corn Starch	5 c
1 lb. good Baking Powder	5 c
1 pkg. Rolled Oats	5 c
1 lb. good Candy	5c 10c and 15 c
1 qt. best Pea Nuts	5 c
2 lb. new Mixed Nuts	25 c
2 can good Tomatoes	15 c
1 can good Corn or Peas	5 c
1 can Apricots or Pears	10 c
1 3lb. can Apple Butter	10 c
¾ lb. best Starch	10 c
2 boxes best Bag Blue	5 c
2 bars Sun Shine Soap	5 c
1 box Butter Milk Soap	5 c
1 lb. Country Lard	6 c
1 lb Bacon	6 c
1 sack good Flour	45c 50c 60c and 65 c
1 lb. good Coffee	9c 10c 11c and 12½c
1 lb. 40c Tea	20 c
1 lb. 60c Y. H. Tea	35 c

And a valuable and useful present free with every cash purchase of one dollar or over Give us your trade and save 25c to 40c on the dollar.

Leave Us Your Order for Christmas Turkey.

J. J. Brushart,

The Leading Cash Grocer



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This is the kind of jewelry we sell. The value of a jewel is much enhanced by the delicate settings that we make a feature.

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Here will show that fine jewelry is possible at a low cost to you. We can show you how little money it takes to buy the best.

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An elegant line of Watches, Rings, Pins, Diamond Pendants, Studs and Watch Chains of all styles.

Silverware and Clocks.

Remember our prices are low. 10 per cent. discount on all sales.

Ed. Lee Feyler,

81 W. Second St.

Store Open Every Evening.

Holiday Goods!

By far the best assortment of

Holiday - Goods

ever seen in Portsmouth will be seen at

Wurster Brothers' Drug Store.

We invite everybody to come and see us whether they buy or not.

Don't wait until two or three days before Xmas, for what you want may be gone.

Come and make your selection, and we will save it for you.

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Druggists,

Second and Court Streets.

Christmas Bargains.

Books 5c, 10c, 15c, 20c and 25c.
Drums 25c, 39c, 50c, 75c and $1.00.
Doll Cabs 25c and 50c.
Wheelbarrows 10c and 25c.
All kinds of penny ornaments for Christmas trees.
Tinsel, 3 yards for 5c.
Rockers 25c.
Cradles and Beds 25c.
Carts 10c.
Blackboards 25c.
Thousands of other things equally as cheap.

Kate Miller.

FOR RENT—A nicely furnished front room down-stairs, suitable for man and wife or two gentlemen. Call at 136 East Third street.

INTERESTING

Letter From Will Seebohm Who Is at Dawson City.

Some Cold Facts Concerning the Greatest Gold Country in the World.

Mr. Seebohm Does Not Advise His Friends to Come to Alaska Now, Says That Two-Thirds of the Newspaper Stories of Alaska Gold, Are Exaggerations—Cost of Living There—Other Interesting Facts.

A few days ago reference was made in the Times to a letter received from Mr. Will Seebohm, brother of O. C. Seebohm, who is now in Alaska. Through the courtesy of Mr. Seebohm the Times is enabled to print a portion of the letter.

It will be noticed that Mr. Seebohm says he has only received twelve letters from his relatives. The latter have written him seventy-five letters and the others are enroute somewhere. The letter follows:

"Dawson City, Alaska, Oct. 3, 1897.

"I have at last given up all hope of coming home this winter, as the Yukon is frozen up and the temperature is now below zero. I had made up my mind to return on September 5th, but the boats we intended to come out on were unable to return on account of the ice. Will return on first spring steamer.

"I have located a claim and named it Montana Creek and expect to make a fortune in the spring, as prospects are paying well. Our Montana party are all well and have plenty of provisions, which, I am sorry to say, is more than many others can say.

"It will cost a fortune to live here this winter as provisions are high. I paid $130 for 150 pounds of flour and an hour afterward could have sold it for $100 a sack. It is now selling at $5 per pound. Bacon is $1 per pound and miners' candles 20 pounds for $100. This will be a winter to be remembered by all who winter here. My advice to all is, don't be too hasty to come to Alaska. It is a good country for those who have claims, but the camp is already overrun with people who would give anything to be back where they came from. The hundreds who are coming in now will suffer, unless they bring ample supplies, for starvation now stares Dawson City in the face.

"The Alaska Commercial company's stores are not selling anything but clothing, but people who have their orders in for winter are all right. Those who have no orders in will fare hard. The Alaska Commercial company gave free transportation to all who wanted to go to Fort Yukon, which is 350 miles below Dawson City, where there are plenty of provisions. Many went and many more will go as soon as the ice freezes hard enough. It is a bad thing for the camp, as it will cause a good many men to quit work on account of no food and no candles to see to work by. My honest advice to all is, unless you have plenty of money to bring in here to speculate on or have had experience in mining and prospecting and used to all hardships, stay where you are. There is a fighting chance for a poor man to make money here, but here are plenty of idle men here now ready to grasp all chances.

"Alaska is a big country, and is going to be a great gold producer, but, as I said before, I'd advise no one to come here now. I say this for the reason that many have written and asked my advice and I hope all my friends will get to read what I have to say. Two-thirds of the newspaper stories in regard to the richness of the Klondike are overestimated, but it is true that claims on Eldorado and Bonanza Creeks are very rich. These claims the public hear from alone, but they never hear of the thousands of claims that are not worth the paper on which they are recorded. So look out for Klondike mining stock with which the country will be flooded. All the paying claims are being worked by their original owners. They don't need to issue stock here to work them, as gold dust is as good as currency in the camp.

"I have a good cabin and plenty of provisions and am doing well, so don't worry.

"People are still coming floating down with the ice with hardly enough provisions to last a week and they will all suffer this winter. Still, Capt. Healey told me yesterday that he would have enough mush to feed each one a meal a day until next spring. But I tell you that is a slim outlook for a man in this country. I will have a story to tell of great Alaska when I come home.

"I am thinking of buying some lots here to speculate on, as real estate will be high in the spring.

"If any of the boys want to come tell them to come early over the Dyea trail and bring plenty of provisions and they'll find ready sale for anything else they can bring. Be sure to bring "gold-sealed" gum boots. They can't bring too many of them. And by all means, if they intend to stay over winter, bring fur robes. But they had better stay where they are, as this place will be overrun by people in the spring.

"The mails are very uncertain. In winter it costs a dollar for each letter sent out and the same for each one received. Don't send any newspapers as we never get them. At the opening of the new postoffice yesterday I received twelve letters from home and two pounds of fruit cake. (The cake was sent from Montana June 15th by Mrs. Seebohm.) I would write to all my friends, but I have not time or writing paper. The latter can not be bought here. My regards to all my friends.

"WILL."

PERSONAL.

Miss Ida Herms is visiting friends in Cincinnati.

Joshua Oakes, of Haverhill, was in the city today.

Peter D. Andre, of Green township, was in the city today.

W. H. Williams was in Cincinnati on business yesterday.

W. K. Carr, N. & W. general car foreman was in the city today.

Edward Daehler will arrive home this week from Ann Arbor Law college.

Andes Kellogg and wife, of Gervais, were visiting friends in the city yesterday.

Miss Lucy Roth, of Buena Vista, O., is the guest of Mr. Jno. Bengel and family, at 24 Gallia street.

Ms. Ollie Jones, of Blue Creek, Adams county, is visiting Mrs. James Morrison, of East Ninth street.

Mrs. Frank McCall, of Elm Tere, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. James Morrison, of East Ninth street.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Goetz have returned from a month's visit with Cincinnati, Dayton and Columbus friends.

Registered at the Biggs Tuesday night were J. W. Fahr, Frenchtown, New Jersey; F. A. Roland, Lutchen, Kansas, and S. H. Eagle, Gallipolis.

Will Hammerstein, of near Powellsville, son of the well known farmer, Jacob Hammerstein, is dangerously sick. His recovery is considered very doubtful.

James Hutton, of Columbus, who has been the guest of Otto Layher for several days, leaves this evening for Ashland, Ky., where he will be the guest of friends.

Charles Vogel, reresenting the well known firm of George Strietman & Son, of Cincinnati, was calling on the trade today. Mr. Vogel has many friends in this city.

Mrs. Dr. Taylor, of Wheelerburg, arrived in the city this morning, being called here by the serious illness of her brother-in-law, Mr. O. H. Smith. The latter is in a very serious condition.

Miss Rammelsberg, who for several weeks has been the guest of Mrs J. I. Hudson, returns to her home in Cincinnati today. The visit of Miss Rammelsberg has been very much enjoyed by the society people of the city.

Capt. A. W. Williamson, of Portsmouth, aged 79 years, was up and spent several days last week with his uncle, Olem Swearngin. Mr. Swearngin is dangerously ill at the home of his son, W. R. Swearngin, of Riverton.—Greenup Gazette.

Mrs. Katie Davis, of Indianapolis, Ind., who, with her little daughter, is the guest of Mr. Peter Daehler and family, of Gay street, is an old Portsmouth girl. She was Miss Kate Lehr, and this is her first visit here for ten years. She will be here several weeks and would be pleased to meet her old friends.

Jewelry and novelties of every description at C. H. Harris'.

Greatest!

Of all Holiday Sales this week. Our store is full to overflowing with the best merchandise that can b produced. Holiday Handkerchiefs. Come to headquarters. All the newest styles. All the prettiest designs and all at the lowest prices.

FREE!

With every $10 worth of goods purchased from us between now and January 16, we will give ONE SOLID GOLD Set ring, now on display in our window. We do not ask you to purchase $10 00 worth at one time, but with every 5c worth you purchase from us you are given credit on your card. We admit we are losing considerable money bs this transaction, at the same time we are pleasing our customers with an elegant X-mas Gift.

WEINMAN & CO.,
MANUFACTURING JEWELERS.
PHILADELPHIA, PA., Dec. 7, 1897.

Steahly Bros, Portsmouth, O.:

Gentlemen: — In answer to your letter regarding ladies' set rings which we sold you, 5181, would say same are SOLID GOLD and stand guaranteed. Very Respectfully,

WEINMAN & Co.

HANDKERCHIEFS

For Ladies, Gentlemen, Children.

Children's Handkerchiefs large assortment 6 for 5c.

Children's Handkerchiefs large assortment 1c each.

Children's Handkerchiefs, large assortment 2c each.

Children's Handkerchiefs, large assortment 3c each.

Ladies' Handkerchiefs, large assortment 4c each.

Ladies' Handkerchiefs.

Ladies' Handkerchiefs with Embroidered corners, Lace Edges, Embroidered Edges, Colored Borders and Plain White.

3 different styles in Initial, Pure Linon, at 5c.

Ladies' Heavy Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 6¼c each.

Ladies' 20c, Swiss Embroidered, Plain Hem Embroidered, also Lace Edges at 10c.

Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs, made by finest workers at St. Gall value 25c, at 15c each.

Men's Handkerchiefs.

Large assortment Men's Handkerchiefs, worth 5c, Holiday price 3c each.

Large assortment Men's Handkerchiefs, worth 8⅓c, Holiday price 5c each.

Large assortment Men's Handkerchiefs, worth 12½c, at 8⅓c each.

Large assortment Men's Handkerchiefs, worth 15c, Holiday price 10c each.

Men's extra fine Japanese Silk beautiful worked Initial with wide Hem, manufactured to sell at 25c, special price 12½c.

Men's extra fine Japanese Silk, beautiful worked Initial, wide Hem, worth 35c, special price 18c.

Silk Handkerchiefs and Mufflers, grand line at lowest possible prices.

HOLIDAY DRESS GOODS.

We are showing the grandest line of Black Dress Goods in the city, prices ranging from 12c, to $2.00 yard.

COLORED DRESS GOODS.

8 yd. Pattern Novelty Goods at 98c.

30 in. Novelties good selections at 12½c yard.

34 in. Novelties good line at 15c yard.

30 in. All Wool Suiting all colors at 18c yard.

38 in. Wool Serges all colors at 20c yard.

36 in. Wool Serges all colors at 25c yard.

36 in. All Wool Novelties good assortment at 25c yard.

HOLIDAY GLOVES

For Christmas Presents.

Ladies' Genuine French Kid Gloves, made in the fashonable 5 Hook, 4 Button and two clasp styles, worth $1.50, special price $1.00.

Ladies' and Children's Mittens, from 10c, upward.

SILK GARTERS.

10 styles of imported Fancy Silk Garters, made of the finest Silk Webs, with nice Gold and Silver Buckles, at 10c, 20c, and 25c pair.

UMBRELLAS FOR GIFTS.

Ladies', Men's and Children's.

This week's offering includes finest grades of Silk Umbrellas.

90c, for Ladies' or Gents' Silk Serge Umbrellas, Natural Wood Handles with Steel Rod.

$1.00 for Ladies' or Gents' Twilled Silk Umbrellas, in a large assortment of beautiful imported handles and Steel Rod

Silk Umbrellas, at $1.25, $1.35, $1.50, $1.75, $1.98, $2.00, $2.25 and $2.50.

OTHER ARTICLES

Suitable for Christmas Presents.

Gold Pens with Pearl Holders worth 75c, at 25c each.

Dresser Scarfs, new designs beautiful patterns at 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.10, $1.25, $1.30 and $1.50 set.

Damask Table Covers, for Christmas presents at 75c, 85c, 90c, $1.00, $1.10, and $1.25 each.

Shetland Shawls, all colors, 2 styles, regular 40c quality, at 25c each.

Tables Linons for Christmas presents. Grandest line we have ever carried from 15c upwards.

Napkins at 55c, 60c. 75c, 85c, 90c, $1.00, $1.25 and $1.35 dozen.

Regular 5c quality Unbleached Muslin, full yard wide at 3¾c yard.

Calicoes at 3½c, 4c, 4½c, and 5c yard.

Steahly Bros.,

The Low Price Retailers, 313 Chillicothe Street.

A Store of Confidence.

The people of Portsmouth have learned to trust absolutely this store, to believe its statements, to depend upon its goods, to indorse its methods, and we shall continually strive to merit this feeling of extreme trust no matter at what cost. This week's bargains are right in line with our up-to-date methods of underselling.

Men's Night Shirts.

Men's Fancy Embroidered Muslin Night Shirts, 50c.

Men's extra quality Muslin, fancy silk embroidered, or extra heavy Domet Flannel Night Shirts, 75c

Men's fancy embroidered, extra fine quality Muslin with fancy silk embroidery Night Shirts, $1.00.

Men's Suspenders.

Men's fancy embroidered Suspenders 25c

Men's plain or fancy embroidered Satine or fine all Silk Suspenders, 50c.

Men's fine Satin, plain or embroidered Suspenders, one pair in box, 75c.

Guess How Many Nails.

$200 In Gold

To be given to our customers New Year's morning. Prizes to be given to the first fifteen persons guessing the nearest to the number of nails in jar in our window. A guess with each purchase. Nails to be counted New Year's morning by prominent men. Nobody connected with our store permitted to make a guess.

Men's Neckwear.

Choice of 50 doxen Silk and Satin Tecks, Band Bows, Club Ties, new patterns, 25c.

Choice of the handsomest line of Neckwear ever shown in Tecks, Puffs and Four-in-Hands, 50c.

Men's Silk Handkerchiefs.

Men's white Silk Initial or fancy border Silk Handkerchiefs, 50c.

Mackintoshes.

Full and complete line of Men's and Boys' Mackintoshes and Box Coats.

Men's Underwear.

Elegant line of Men's Underwear from 19c to $2.50.

BEN DAVIS,

One Price Clothier and Furnisher, 127 West Second Street.

VIEWS.... —AND— INTERVIEWS

Rev. Father Nonnen, of St. Mary's Catholic church, has been a resident of Portsmouth for over a quarter of a century. When he came to Portsmouth the congregation of St. Mary's had a big debt of over $27,000 hanging over them. This debt has practically been paid, and thousands of dollars additional spent in improving the church and church buildings, and in buying furnishings. Now the church is in good financial shape, has a beautiful home, and is flourishing spiritually as well as temporally. Father Nonnen has accomplished a grand work in Portsmouth for his church.

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"How long do you suppose we have lived in that house out at Sixth and Washington streets?" asked Mr. Byron Grimes of a Times reporter yesterday. The reporter did not know, and then Mr. Grimes said: "We have lived there forty years—or it was forty last September. We moved there in 1857—right in the midst of the big panic. My father traded with Banker Dugan for the house.

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There are rumors that ere springtime comes again the telephone company now operating in Ironton and Ashland will come knocking at the doors of Portsmouth. By that time it will have been demonstrated whether or not the opposition in Ironton has been a success. There is no question that there might be considerable improvement in the service given people by the telephone company now operating here. It is a question whether another company would do any better. The matter will come up sooner or later for the serious consideration of councilmen.

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"Of course these ventriloquists have lots of fun all to themselves," said John Willis to some friends in an uptown corner grocery the other evening. "In the early fifties, when those who practice ventriloquism were very seldom seen, and very few of the people throughout the country knew there was such a thing, the circumstance I am about to relate occurred at the old Empire Furnace, or near there. The pig iron was hauled to old Franklin landing with ox teams, over some very steep hills, and after a rain, as was the case at this particular time, became very slick, and it was with much difficulty that the teams were able to climb them with the heavy loads. The drivers of these teams, 'bull whackers,' as they were commonly called, were, as a rule, very cruel toward their cattle, having a whip lash made of buckskin, frequently from six to eight feet long, about an inch in diameter at the butt and tapering to a point, where a long cracker, as it was called, was attached. This lash was fastened to a well shaped stock from four to six feet long. A very light blow would start the blood. One day a young man whose name, if my memory serves me correctly, was Adams, started up one of these steep hills, just after the shower. He was one of the most cruel drivers about the furnace, and would apparently enjoy using his whip lash on the cattle in a most unmerciful manner. On this occasion he had ascended the hill but a short distance when the wagon stopped and the team was unable to move it. One of the oxen had slipped down on his knees and could not regain his feet. The driver began to use the lash with great force, and soon had the blood streaming down the legs of the poor dumb brute. Several people had gathered around, but none desired to chastise him and take the chances of getting the whip themselves. Presently a well-dressed stranger rode up. The poor ox was yet on its knees, mouth wide open and tongue out panting from heat at the cruel treatment, while the driver continued to apply the whip. Suddenly there came from the mouth of the dumb brute, in a most agonizing tone, the cries: 'Oh, Lord! Oh, Lord! Have mercy!' The astonished driver dropped his whip, stood tremblingly eyeing the animal for a moment, then took to his heels, soon followed by all, save the stranger, who was an expert ventriloquist, and, laughing in his sleeve, rode into the nearby village and told the story. It took a great deal of explanation however, to get the driver back to his team, and he was more humane ever afterward."

Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O!

Ask your grocer today to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury, as well as the adult. All who try it like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without ditsress. One-fourth the price of coffee, 15 and 25 cents per package. Sold by all grocers.

Rheumatism Cured in a Day.

"Mystic Cure" for rheumatism and neuralgia radically cures in one to three days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits. 75 cents. Sold by Wurster Bros., druggists, Portsmouth, O.

Relief in Six Hours.

Distressing Kidney and Bladder diseases relieved in six hours by the "NEW GREAT SOUTH AMERICAN KIDNEY CURE." This new remedy is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in the bladder, kidneys, back and every part of the urinary passages in male or female. It relieves retention of water and pain in passing it almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure this is your remedy. Sold by Wurster Bros., Druggist Portsmouth, Ohio.

AMUSEMENT NOTES.

Manager Grimes has received a letter from Manager Ellsberry, of the Ironton opera house, saying that all the good things said about June Agnott are true. Mr. Ellsberry says the company has delighted his patrons and that the performances are equal to those of any one night show on the road. Miss Agnott carries a big company with her—over twenty people. She also has her own band and a famous orchestra, and the plays are put on with special scenery. This company will open a week's engagement at the Grand opera house next Monday night, when "The Ranch King" will be produced. On this occasion ladies will be admitted free if accompanied by one paid reserved seat ticket.

Katharine Kidder's "Madame Sans Gene" company is working back East and will play a long engagement in Eastern cities.

The June Agnott band will give some fine special music on the street next week.

"Twelve Temptations," which played to a big house last season, will be in Portsmouth again Christmas eve. The show is one of the best of its kind on the road, and this season is better than ever.

"The Hoosier Doctor" is Digby Bell's greatest creation. He will be seen in the play at the opera house New Year's day and night.

June Agnott opens Monday night with "The Ranch King." This is a great play and the charming actress appears to advantage.

THE PROGRAM

To Be Rendered at the Joint Debate at the Normal University Friday Night.

Below is given the program to be rendered at the Normal University tomorrow (Friday) evening, at 7:30 o'clock. The principals on both sides have worked faithfully, which assures a full and scholarly presentation of the question. The societies extend a cordial invitation to all interested. Admission free.

Welcome Address—Miss Susie Shanhols.

Debate—Question, "Resolved: That Capital Punishment Should Be Abolised." Affirmative—Normal University—Messrs. Black and Dodds, Miss Simmons. Negative—High school—Messrs. Selby and Fuller, Miss Anderson.

Judges of Debate—Rev. D. S. Tappan, Hon. Theo. K. Funk, Judge Noah J. Dever.

If you wish to think of something to make a present to a friend, how would a pair of gloves, hat, cap or satchel do? We have an immense line at

L. WISE'S SONS.

Just Too Lovely.

The large plate-glass window of the Central grocery has been transformed into a perfect bower of sweetness and beauty. There is a regular mountain of all kinds of candy. The window is trimmed with holly and other evergreens, and in the background, high over head, are the words, "A Merry Christmas," in transparent red tissue. Back of this candles and electric lights are placed, which altogether makes a beautiful effect. The whole is an artistic job and is attracting no little attention.

For Rent.

What is now known as the K. of P. hall (old Wilhelm opera house building) will be for rent on and after January 1st. Equitable terms will be made with the proper parties.

10-1wk JNO. K DUKE, Agent.

Dinner and toilet sets in endless profusion. C. C. BODE & CO.,
15-3t 60 and 62 Gallia street.

A Sensational Suit.

The sensational alimony suit of Mrs. George Clough against her husband is now on in the Ross county courts. Evidence of witnesses so far goes to show that Mr. Clough was intimate with one, Miss Gertrude Murphy, and neglected his wife. Defendant's witnesses have not yet been heard.

Forty per cent. off on sterling silver novelties for a few days at C. H. Harris'.

RIVER NEWS.

River, ten feet, eight inches and rising. Bonanza up this morning at 8 o'clock. Stanley will be down this evening.

$100 Reward $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally acting directly upon the blood and mucous surface of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by Druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

"I was run over by a lumber wagon. Did not expect to live. Was terribly bloated. My friends bathed me with Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil, and I was cured. We have great faith in Thomas' Eclectric Oil."—Mrs. Wm. F. Babcock, Norvell, Mich.

BE SURE you get what you want when you ask for Hood's Sarsaparilla. Unequalled in Merit, Sales, Cures. There's no substitute for HOOD'S.

Great Reduction

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Dress Goods and Silks.

Excellent opportunity to treat yourself or your friends with a new dress or handsome Silk Waist at a bargain.

Novelties

Choicest 65c Novelties go at 50c per yard.

Handsome 60c Novelties go at 48c per yard.

Elegant 50c Novelties go at 42c per yard.

Good Value 40c Novelties go at 33c per yard.

Good Selection 35c Novelties go at 27c per yard.

Silks

$1.25 per yard Silks for Waist Patterns go at 95c per yard.

90c and $1.00 per yard Silks for Waist Patterns go at 79c per yard.

75c and 85c per yard Silks for Waist Patterns go at 59c per yard.

Our Fancy Plaid and Roman Stripe Silks also reduced.

50c All Wool Covert goes at 42c peryard

Handsome line of Black Henriettas, Serges and Choicest Novelties greatly reduced.

Buy at once if you are interested in these bargains.

REMEMBER

That we are still giving a useful X-mas present with every purchase of $1.00 or over.

L. & E. Yaeger,

507 Chillicothe Street.

It Is Time

To think of the Christmas present you are going to give your wife, your husband or your friend.

Something Useful

Will be more appreciated and will make you feel better for having given it.

Your Wife

Would appreciate nothing more than a handsome heater or a nice range or cook stove. We have these and a thousand and one other thing both useful and ornamental. Coal Vases, Fire Sets, Cooking Utensils of every kind will be found in our stock. Come in and see us. We can please you both in goods and prices.

STORCK & HOPKINS,

114 West Second Street.

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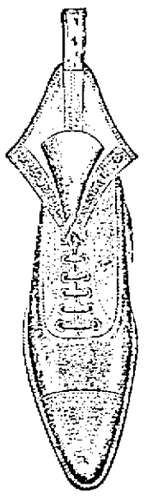

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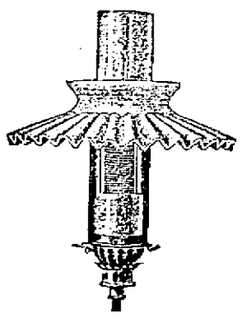

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PELAGIC SEALING

Causes an Interesting Debate In the Senate.

CIVIL SERVICE IN THE HOUSE.

Discovery That a Civil Pension List Will Probably Result If the Law Stands Has Caused Some Congressmen to Change Their Minds—They Are Now Opposed to the Law.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Proceedings of the senate were enlivened by an interesting debate upon the bill presented by the foreign relations committee providing for the prohibition of pelagic sealing by Americans.

The provisions of the measure were explained by Mr. Davis, chairman of the foreign relations committee, who said that it was in aid of negotiations now pending among the representatives of the government of the United States, Great Britain, Russia and Japan.

Mr. Pettigrew (S.D.) sharply antagonized the measure, saying that this country had already suffered more than enough humiliation on account of the seal business, and that he favored the settlement of the question by killing all of the seals as they appeared at the rookeries of the Pribyloff islands if by June 1 next Great Britain also had not agreed to prohibition of pelagic sealing.

He offered an amendment to that effect, but it was defeated. The bill was passed by a vote of 37 to 14.

Mr. McBride of Oregon endeavored to secure the adoption of his resolution instructing the secretary of war to send supplies to the suffering miners in the Klondike region, and appropriating $250,000 for that purpose. The resolution was amended so that the supplies might be transported by means of reindeer.

Mr. McBride consented finally that the resolution should be recommitted to the military affairs committee with the understanding that it would be promptly reported.

The session closed with a spirited civil service debate upon the bill presented by the census committee providing for the appointment of the director of the census and 32 employes, who should form the skeleton of an office force for the twelfth census.

In the House.

Washington, Dec. 16. — The house spent the day in the consideration of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill.

Eighty-nine of the 112 pages of the bill were covered, and only one amendment of importance was adopted.

It reduced the clerical force at the pension office 95, involving a reduction in salaries of $115,000.

The civil service question was the chief topic of discussion, and the proposition of Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Vanderlip to retire clerks for age on a pension was made the text for denunciation by Mr. Moody of Massachusetts and Mr. Johnson of Indiana, both of whom are defenders of the civil service law.

Mr. Moody declared that if civil service is to lead to a civil pension list, then it ought to be wiped out forever. The applause which greeted this declaration indicated that the "barnacle act," as it is frequently called, is in grave danger of becoming a thing of the past.

BANKRUPTCY BILL

Has Been Agreed Upon by the House Judiciary Committee.

Washington, Dec. 16.—A bankruptcy bill has been agreed upon by the house judiciary committee and will be reported as early as possible.

Chairman Henderson was authorized to report the senate bill, known as the Nelson bill, to the house with all after the enacting clause stricken out and the Henderson bill as agreed on inserted as an amendment or substitute.

The bill as drawn provided in effect that all liens created by judgment and levy or by attachment within four months of the adjudications in bankruptcy should be void, or, if enforced, go for the benefit of the creditors, and also that all money collected by the enforcement of such a lien should be paid over to the trustee when appointed.

This is modified so that these liens will not be affected unless obtained in fraud of the act. The provisions of the bill creating offenses punishable by fine or imprisonment were also modified by making many of such offenses cause for refusing a discharge in bankruptcy instead of punishable otherwise.

Not Much Encouragement.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The national board of trade committee in charge of the currency resolutions and the bankruptcy bill called on Speaker Reed to present the two measures with the indorsement of the board, and learn, if possible, what their chance would be before the house. Mr. Reed did not hold out much encouragement in the line of financial legislation, but intimated that there would be more chance for the bankruptcy bill.

Placed In a False Light.

Washington, Dec. 16. — Representatives John L. Brenner of Ohio and William W. Kitchin of North Carolina state that they are misrepresented in a published poll of congress on the retirement of the greenbacks. Both were credited as favoring the retirement, while their position actually is in decided opposition to this course.

Will Meet Again.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The convention of business men which met in Indianapolis last January and authorized the appointment of the monetary commission will be called together again for the purpose of considering the commission's report. The new convention will be held in Indianapolis on Tuesday, Jan. 25. The invitation will go out, as before, to all boards of trade, commercial clubs and similar organizations in all the cities of the United States having a population of 8,000 or more.

GOLD AND SILVER

Seem to Have Swapped Places With Reference to Export.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The bureau of statistics gives figures for November, showing that the exports of domestic merchandise amounted to $114,608,301, a gain of nearly $7,000,000 as compared with the same month last year.

The imports of merchandise during November aggregated $52,352,331, of which over 50 per cent was free of duty. The gain for the month in the imports of dutiable merchandise was over $5,300,000.

For the last nine months the increase in the exports of merchandise was $85,901,435. The entire gain in the imports of merchandise was $68,492,194.

The exports of gold during November aggregated $699,340, and the imports $2,505,308. For the nine months the imports exceeded the exports by about $7,000,000.

The exports of silver during November amounted to $4,979,277, and the imports $1,544,305. For the nine months the exports of silver amounted to $52,551,963, and the imports $11,017,012.

Increase of Drydocks.

Washington, Dec. 16. — The senate committee on naval affairs discussed informally the plans of the navy department for the increase of the number and improvement of the existing drydocks on the lines of the bill recently introduced by Senator Hale, but took no action beyond authorizing Senator Hale to confer with the house naval committee with the view of securing joint action of the two houses on any line of action that might be decided upon.

Single Gold Standard.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The national board of trade adopted a resolution, the gist of which was an indorsement of the single gold standard, the gradual retirement of United States notes, the enlargement of the national bank circulation, with a gradual reduction in the tax on the same, the establishment of national banks with a capital of $25,000 or over in towns of over 2,000 population, and a permanent scientific tariff commission.

Populists to Hold a Caucus.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The Populists have decided to hold a caucus to outline their policies on pending questions. They will probably oppose the retirement of the greenbacks, the extension of further privileges to national banks, the annexation of Hawaii, and favor the recognition of Cuban independence and the repeal of the civil service law.

Application Denied.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The secretary of the interior has denied the application of the Northern Pacific railroad for a suspension of the adjudication of land entries on what is contended by the company to be its right of way between Duluth, Minn., and Ashland, Wis.

Treasury Statement.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, $227,966,492; gold reserve, $158,549,774.

Notes.

Senator Faulkner introduced a bill incorporating the Cook Inlet, Tanana and Yukon Railroad company.

Senator Hanna of Ohio has returned to Washington. He is apparently in good health and appears satisfied with the situation in Ohio.

Senator Frye introduced a bill providing for the purchase or construction of a vessel for the revenue cutter service on the Yukon river, and appropriating $40,000 for this purpose.

A bill introduced by Senator Elkins restores all the lands of the Anette island, Alaska, to the public domain except those in the southwestern peninsula of the island.

In the executive session of the senate a treaty between this country and Mexico, extending for a year the time for marking the boundary line between the two countries, was received and referred.

Gigantic Trust Forming.

New York, Dec. 16.—The principal stamping companies and porcelain and japanned ware companies in this country are to be consolidated. The capital involved is $10,000,000.

Will Not Accede.

New York, Dec. 16.—The Horsemen's Protective association held a meeting and decided not to accede to the wishes of the Jockey club and disband.

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SCENE OF GAIETY

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THREE PARTICIPANTS MURDERED.

Undue Familiarity of a Drunken Dancer With the Ladies Precipitated the Riot. When He Was Remonstrated With He Drew His Revolver and the Shooting at Once Began.

Jeffersonville, Ga., Dec. 16.—While a "house party" was in progress at the residence of R. L. Califf the citizens of that neighborhood were startled by a fusillade of pistol shots.

The screaming of women aroused the town and the whole population gathered about the scene of the shooting, when it was discovered that three men were lying dead on the parlor floor and a woman and a girl fatally shot.

The parlor was a scene of gaiety, young folks dancing and singing alternately, and amusement was at its height when Shaw Griffin, a young man under the influence of liquor, became too offensive in his manner toward the young ladies.

Mr. Califf remonstrated with him and advised him to go home. This enraged Griffin, and he drew a pistol and began to rave and make threats against his host. Califf, knowing Griffin to be a dangerous man, prepared himself and ordered the offender to leave the house.

This precipitated a fight. Seven shots were exchanged, both principals dropped dead, and Clarence Jones, a young man, was also instantly killed, the three men falling within a radius of a few feet.

Califf fired three shots, all three taking effect, one striking Griffin in the right temple and two in the breast.

Griffin fired four times. One shot entered Califf's breast, killing him instantly; another struck Clarence Jones in the head.

Mrs. Califf was shot in the abdomen and her 7-year-old daughter in the neck.

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HOOT! MON!

Flick Jones, Geo. Helt and Silas Graham Arrested

For Keeping and Running a Gambling House—Jesse White, of Sciotoville, After Dropping $500 in Poker Operations, Squeals—Claims Game Was Unfair—Some Sensational Developments.

Warrants were served this afternoon on "Flick" Jones, Geo. Helt and Silas Graham, charging them with keeping and running a gambling house on Chillicothe street. The charges were preferred by Jesse White, of Sciotoville.

White claims to have visited the White House gambling rooms on July 3d and several times since then when games were going on. It is understood that he participated in some of the sport known as poker. It seems he has been a steady loser, having dropped about $500 in his operations. He claims unfair treatment. At the last session he dropped about $60. He demanded his money back, and failing to get it, he takes this means of getting revenge. He has engaged J. S. Thomas to prosecute the case and the matter threatens long litigation and sensational developments, such as will interest some very prominent people.

The Helt saloon has had a bad reputation for several months. It has only been a short time ago that a man fell dead in a poker game in the place. After the shooting of the negro, Henry Austin, by Walter Helt, the saloon was ordered closed by the prosecuting attorney. Helt then sold the place to "Flick" Jones, who is the present proprietor.

INSPECTION

Successfully Passed by the Members of Company H Last Night—An Informal Affair—Inspecting Officers Pleased.

Col. Coit, who was to have been here last evening to meet the boys of Co. H, was unavoidably prevented from coming. Col. Freeman, Adjutant Helwagen and Adjutant Surgeon Gunsaulus came. After a few minutes' rest at the Biggs House they were shown about the city. At seven o'clock they met at the armory for inspection. The boys were given a pretty severe inspection, but came through with good standing. Col. Freeman was the first colonel of the Fourteenth, having served in that capacity twenty years ago. He made the boys a pleasant talk, making them believe they stood at the top notch in the regiment. The other visiting officials also jollied the boys in entertaining talks. The attendance at the inauguration was discussed and a very favorable proposition made to Co. H to attend. It can be done at a cost of about $1.50 each, and it is quite probable the boys will be there. This was an informal inspection. General inspection will be held in the near future. The company will elect officers on the 27th of this month. It is safe to say that Co. H will make as good a showing as any company in the regiment.

A COMMERCIAL TRAVELER

From the Mountains of W. Va. Says, People Are Walking Fifty Miles to See the Hanging of Morgan.

Will Prather, who travels for the Portsmouth Tinware company, returned last night from a trip through the mountains of Kentucky and West Virginia, with his grip full of orders. Will says the people of West Virginia are greatly excited over the hanging of John Morgan, at Ripley. The hanging takes place tomorrow, and hundreds of people are on the ground now and coming in by every train, in carriages, on horseback and on foot, some of them walking fifty miles over the mountains to enjoy the pleasure of seeing the body of a murderer dangling in the air. The sleepy village of Ripley never was in such a state of excitement. It is thought the coming legislature will repeal the law permitting public hangings.

You can save 40 per cent by buying a Christmas present at O. H. Harris'. He is giving 40 per cent. off on sterling silver novleties for a few days only.

Tricks in All Trades.

A young man has been canvassing the city for several days, selling a soap. He carries an attractive looking paper weight, and as an inducement for every twenty-five cents' worth of soap agrees to give one of the paper weights. After getting his twenty-five cents he would tell the good housewife that he could only carry the one weight as a sample, but would bring one the next week. From best information he has so far forgotten to deliver any of the attractive paper weights.

Fine Christmas umbrellas at from 50 cents to $3.00 at Flora Dellert's.

The Booths Are Here.

The new long distance telephone booths for the Biggs and Safford hotels have arrived and connections are now being made. The automatic cash registering devise to be placed in them has attracted much attention.

See Jones, the Hatter, for up-to-date neckwear, at 104 West Second street.

Changed Location.

The building on the Folsom property on Gallia street, formerly occupied by Dr. Reeder as an office, has been moved to the rear of the adjoining brick building and will be utilized as a kitchen.

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THE WEATHER PROPHET.

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Change of Teachers.

Miss Osee Curless resigns her position as teacher in the Graham Business college today. Miss Lou Warwick will take her place. Miss Curless will leave at once for her home at Blanchester, where, on the 30th of this month, she will be married to Mr. Edward Brandebury, the genial insurance agent. Miss Curless has made many warm friends during her stay in this city, who regret to have her leave. Mr. Brandebury is to be congratulated on the good judgment shown in his selection of a life companion.

With every five dollar purchase or over, a present is given at
L. WISE'S SONS.
117 West Second street.

Repairing Gallia Street.

Street Commissioner Craigmiles has a force of men at work repairing Gallia street from Union street to the corporation line. The street will be placed in splendid shape, eight carloads of crushed stone being placed on it. Campbell avenue will also be thoroughly repaired. This is work in the right place. Upper Gallia street has long been an eye-sore to the city.

Fine lamps, decorated china, handsome cut-glass ornaments, beautifully decorated night lamps at Heinisch's cheap store. 14-3t

Going to Wellston.

At the meeting of the Cycling club members last night it was decided to go to Wellston Dec. 25th. The trip will be made under the management of Messrs. Henry Bertram and George Zottman.

Inspect the gold decorated glassware that now occupies our big show window. C. C. BODE & CO,
60 and 62 Gallia street.

Invitations Out Today.

Invitations are out today for the Golden wedding anniversary of Capt. and Mrs. C. C. Row, which will be celebrated December 20th.

Holiday handkerchiefs, one cent to 50 cents, at Flora Dellert's.

While shopping for Xmas, don't forget Jones, the Hatter, 104 West Second street.

See Fuller Bros.' chairs.

Handkerchiefs!

Sale Extraordinary.

Having purchased 600 Ladies' Embroidered Swiss Handkerchiefs that were samples, together with 600 more of stock goods, at a great reduction from regular price, we offer the entire lot of

1200 Fine Handkerchiefs At 12½c. for Choice.

They come in about 100 styles, in both scalloped and hem-stitched, all embroideried, many of them double hem-stitched. Most of this lot would be good value at 25c. This is the greatest bargain we have ever offered in Handkerchiefs.

In regular goods we are showing a magnificent line at 5c, 10c, 15c, 25c, 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.25 and $1.50.

Ladies' All Linen Initial Handkerchiefs at 12½c and 25c.

Gent's All Linen Initial Handkerchiefs at 15c and 25c.

Gent's Fine Silk Initial Handkerchiefs at 50c.

Children's Fairy Handkerchiefs at 5c.

Ladies' All Linen Embroideried Handkerchiefs at 25c, 35c, 50c and upwards.

Gents' All Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs at 15c, 25c, 35c and 50c.

Gents' Silk Mufflers in Black and Cream at $1.00, $1.25 and $1.50.

We are Headquarters for anything in Handkerchiefs.

G. W. Anderson & Sons,

Corner Second and Court Streets.

Sterling Silver Novelties

I have a fine line of Sterling Silver Novelties that make handsome

Christmas Presents.

I will

Save You 40 per cent.

On these goods for a few days only.

C. H. HARRIS,

412 Chillicothe St.

A Juicy Steak

Is a good thing to take, and depends on three things, First, the kind of cattle that are killed, Second, how it is cut and last but not least, how it is cooked. Let

Miles, the Butcher,

Attend to the first and second, and if you do your part as well as he does his, you will laugh and grow fat. He has two meat markets, one at

623 Robinson Avenue

And one in

Odd Fellows' Building, Court St.

If You Want Bargains in

CLOAKS

Come to The

Parisian

Special Low Prices on all High Grade Goods between now and Xmas to Reduce Stock.

PARISIAN CLOAK & NOVELTY CO.

75 WEST SECOND STREET.

Christmas Shoppers

In search of useful Christmas Presents are invited to visit our Stores, which are filled with useful and comfortable footwear of every kind suitable to this season of the year.

A Few Suggestions:

A pair of our Men's Enamel Shoes, with Double Soles and invisible Cork Soles.

Men's Patent Calf Shoes, only thing for dress.

Men's House Slippers, we have all grades, ranging in price from 35c to $2.00.

Boys' and Children's Rubber Boots. Nothing pleases the boys more.

Ladies' Patent Calf Lace Shoes, with Silk Vesting Cloth Tops are very handsome.

Ladies' Felt Romeo with Fur Tops, Leather Soles, very comfortable house Slippers at **$1.50**

Old Ladies' Beaver Lace Shoes, kid foxed, flannel lined, solid comfort, at **$1.50**

LEGGINS:

Ladies' Jersey Leggins, at	$1.25
Misses' " " "	1.00
Child's " " "	.75
Boys' Corduroy " "	1.25
Ladies' Overgaiters at 50, 75 and	1.00

Anderson Bros.,

Home Factory Shoe Stores,

109 West Second Street. 603 Chillicothe Street.

Handkerchiefs.

A superb outlay of beautiful Handkerchiefs can be seen at the Opera House Dry Goods Store. Never before have we had such a beautiful line at prices that are astonishing. Come in and buy something that is valuable and at the same time your own judgment tells you so when you see it. A guess on the beans with every cash purchase.

50 dozen Ladies' and Children's Handkerchiefs, 1c each.
10 dozen Ladies' and Children's Colored Borders 2c each.
10 dozen Ladies' and Children's Colored Borders 3c each.
50 dozen Ladies' and Children's Colored Borders, 5c each.

Ladies' Plain White Hemstitched

Lot No. 1, deep hemstitched, 5c each.
Lot No. 2, deep hemstitched Linen, 10c each, 3 for 25c.
Lot No. 3, All Linen, 15c each, 2 for 25c.
Lot No. 4, All Linen, 20c each.
Lot No. 5, All Linen, 25c each.

Ladies' Embroidered Handkerc'fs

Lot No. 1, in white and colored embroidered corners, 5c each.
Lot No. 2, in white lace cornered, 2 for 15c.
Lot No. 3, white embroidered 10c each.
Lot No. 4, white embroidered, 12½c, each, 2 for 25c.
Lot No. 5, white embroidered, 15c each.
Lot No. 6, white embroidered, 18c each.
Lot No. 7, white embroidered, 25c each.
Lot No. 8, handsome embroidered, just one dozen in the assortment, but they are beauties, 50c each.

10 dozen Silk Initial Handkerchiefs in all the best initials, 12½c each, 2 for 25c.

Silk and Silk Initial, beautiful Silk Embroidered, 25c each.

Large size Silk and Silk Initial in deep hemstitch, 50c each.

Gents' Handkerchiefs.

Lot No. 1, Colored Borders, genuine hemstitched, 5c each.
Lot No. 2, deep hemstitched, colored borders, 10c each, 3 for 25c.
Lot No. 3, beautiful quality, rich borders, 15c each, 2 for 25c.

Gents' Plain White Hemstitched.

Lot No. 1, plain hemstitched, 5c each.
Lot No. 2, plain hemstitched, beautiful quality, 10c each, 3 for 25c.
Lot No. 3, plain hemstitched, beautiful quality, 15c each.
Lot No. 4, plain hemstitched, beautiful quality, 25c.

10 dozen Men's Red and Blue Handkerchiefs, good quality, large size, 5c.

Fancy Garters.

Nice quality ribbon bows, silk faced, 25c each.

White Dimities.

Lot No. 1, dimities, 5c a yard.
Lot No. 2, dimities, 8c a yard.
Lot No. 3, dimities, 10c a yard.

Light Calicoes.

Neat little figures in pink, black, blue and green, and also stripes, 4c yd.

Flannel Skirts.

The grandest in the land for the price. We paid an extra price to get a good one to sell, 50c a piece.

Ladies' Pocket Books and Purses.

One lot purses, neat and pretty, 15c.
Lot No. 2, pocket books in green, red and black, 25c.
Lot No. 3, pocket books with silver trimmings, 50c.

Lancaster Apron Ginghams, 5 cents per yard.

John F. Steahly,

Opera House Block.